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## RATTLESNAKE BITES AND THEIR TREATMENT

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**Abstract:** An overview is given as to the various types of poisonous snakes and how to distinguish them from each other, what happens to the human snakebite victim, and how the layman and the physician may prepare and handle this type of emergency. The method of snakebite treatment described is based on clinical experience with over 700 people bitten by poisonous snakes over the last 30 years. Numerous case histories are used to illustrate the points being made. This method of treatment has been widely accepted and used throughout the world.

A presentation was made by Dr. Glass concerning snakebite treatment. This information is largely contained in his book *Management of Poisonous Snakebite*, available from Glass Publishing Company, 8711 Village Drive, Suite 112, San Antonio, TX 78217. This book has been recently updated with the addition of 3 new articles. *First Aid For Snakebite* is also available.